

TRAINING ANNOUNCEMENT:

E-74 WEBINAR: REDUCING THE RISKS OF NONSTRUCTURAL EARTHQUAKE DAMAGE

FEMA and the [National Earthquake Hazard Reduction Program](#) (NEHRP) will host multiple sessions of the **E-74 Webinar: Reducing the Risks of Nonstructural Earthquake Damage** across the nation starting in November 2011 through February 2012. The webinar is free and the registration details are below:

Webinar Overview:

Nonstructural components of buildings include all elements that are not part of the structural system; that is, the *architectural, mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems*, as well as *furniture, fixtures, equipment, and other contents*. During the recent earthquakes in Chile, New Zealand, Japan, Virginia and other earlier earthquakes in California, Washington, and other parts of the U.S., nonstructural failures have accounted for the majority of damage and injuries. In many cases, businesses, schools, hospitals, and other organizations had to spend excessive time and dollars for clean up and repair due to nonstructural failures; therefore impeding continued operations and rapid recovery. Moreover, nonstructural component failures also impeded safe evacuation, delayed rescue, and caused additional hazards such as fire resulting in serious life safety issues.

This FEMA-sponsored 1 ½ hour webinar describes the sources and types of nonstructural earthquake damage and the effective methods and guidance that individuals and organizations can use to take action now before the next earthquake and minimize future injuries and property losses from nonstructural risks.

WEBINAR INFORMATION:

- **East Coast Event** – Tuesday, November 15, 2011, 1:00 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.
Webinar Link: <https://fema.connectsolutions.com/nehrrp-webinar/>
Audio: Dial 1-(888) 387-8686, Conference ID: 5416036

- **West Coast Event** - Tuesday, December 13, 2011, 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm PST
Webinar Link: <https://fema.connectsolutions.com/nehrrp-webinar/>
Audio: Dial 1-(888) 387-8686, Conference ID: 5416036
- **Central U.S. Event** - Tuesday, January 17, 2012, 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm CST
Webinar Link: <https://fema.connectsolutions.com/nehrrp-webinar/>
Audio: Dial 1-(888) 387-8686, Conference ID: 5416036
- **Pacific Northwest Event** - Tuesday, February 14, 2012, 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm PST
Webinar Link: <https://fema.connectsolutions.com/nehrrp-webinar/>
Audio: Dial 1-(888) 387-8686, Conference ID: 5416036

Webinar Program Notes:

- *Audio lines are limited to 300 participants only. We encourage large groups to view the webinar together in a conference room and only use 1-2 audio lines so many others can join. Your cooperation is appreciated.*
- *If you have never used Adobe Connect Pro before, please test your connection prior to joining the webinar by clicking here:*
https://fema.connectsolutions.com/common/help/en/support/meeting_test.htm

CONTACT INFORMATION:

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